GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4993
ANSWERED ON:24.04.2003
RATE OF RETURN OF RAILWAY LINES
TRILOCHAN KANUNGO

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of new lines under construction during last three years and rate of return on each of the new lines as per latest survey report;

(b) the names of new lines which have more than five percent rates of return but have not yet been undertaken for construction alongwith reasons therefor;

(c) the major States (non-special category) which are below national average so far as railway route length, per thousand square kilometers of areas, indicating the route length per thousand square kilometer of area of each State including that of Special Category States; and

(d) the steps which are being taken to bring these backward States to the level of national average during Tenth Plan period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAIL WAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4993 BY SHRI TRILO(KANUNGO TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.04.2003 REGARDING RATE OF RETURN OF RAIL WAY LINES.

(a) The rate of return of a project is worked out at the time of the survey. The same is not updated once the project is included in the budget. As such, rate of return as per latest survey report is not available

(a) The name of new lines for which surveys have been completed in last three years and which have more than 5% rate of return but. have not been undertaken for construction are as under:-

Sl.No.	Name of the Project	KMS
1	Sahnewaal-Ladowal	31
2	Nipani-Raibag via Chikodi	97
3	Talcher/Hindol Rd. to Berhampur/Gopalpur	293
4	Bimlagarh to Talcher	154

The above projects could not be taken up for construction due to heavy throwforward of ongoing projects and acute constraint of resources.

(c) The national average of route kms per 1000 square kms of area is 19.22 as on 31- 03-2002. The States which are below national average are as under:-

Sl. No.	State	Route Kms. Per 1000 Sq. Kms.of Area

1	Andhra Pradesh	18.89
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.02
3	Chhatisgarh	8.73
4	Goa	18.72
5	Himchal Pradesh	4.83
6	Jammu & Kashmir	0.43
7	Karnataka	15.51
8	Madhya Pradesh	15.73
9	Maharashtra	17.74
10	Manipur	0.06
11	Meghalaya	0.00
12	Mizoram	0.07
13	Nagaland	0.78
14	Orissa	14.90
15	Rajasthan	17.22
16	Sikkim	0
17	Tripura	4.26
18	Uttranchal	6.65

(d) A number of new line projects are in progress in various States. However, there is no specific policy to bring all States at par with the national average so far as route length, per 1000 sq. kin of area is concerned.